

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0033] with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0033] The present invention shows that RLIP76, a ras-family GTPase activating protein (GAP), functions as an ATP-dependent transporter of radiation, chemotherapeutic agents as well as GS-E in isolated artificial liposomes. RLIP76, also referred to as RALBP1, is encoded in humans on chromosome 18p11.3 by a gene with 11 exons and 9 introns. The protein product is known as ralA binding protein1. The official human genome name for this protein is RALBP1. Whether the transport activity of RLIP76 contributes to inherent or acquired drug-accumulation defects in cancerous growing cells is not known. The studies described herein show that RLIP76 is present on cancerous cell lines and tissues. In addition, there is a correlation between chemotherapy or radiation therapy resistance and the ATPase activity of RLIP76 (data not shown). In many cases there is a 1:1 stoichiometry between the ATPase activity of RLIP76 and its transport activity. --